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TRANSMITTING SYSTEM AND MEDIUM

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title to read --A SECURE MEDIA ON DEMAND SYSTEM WHEREBY CHARGE IS DETERMINED IN PART FROM THE PERIODICITY OF AN ENCRYPTION KEY--.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-19.

Please add the following new claims:

20. (New) A transmitting method comprising the steps of:

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